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BUDGET - 1975

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STATE 14019; PARIS 15564

1. BIE DUES INCREASE WHICH WILL BE SUBJECT TO VOTE
DURING DECEMBER 4 GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING IS NOW
ESTIMATED AT 28 PER CENT, AS OPPOSED TO 20 PER CENT
FIGURE CITED IN REFAIR AND REFTELS. EMBASSY SEEKS
WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON 28 PER CENT INCREASE IN TIME
FOR DECEMBER MEETING.

2. IN LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 15, 1974 TO BIE DELEGATES,
BIE SECRETARY GENERAL RENE CHALON NOTES THAT L975 BIE
EXPENDITURES NOW ESTIMATED AT 481,334 FRANCS, COMPARED
WITH 378,883 FRANCS IN L974. APPROVAL OF 1975 BUDGET
BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY WOULD MEAN MEMBER COUNTRIES DUES
INCREASE FROM 780 FRANCS TO L,000 FRANCS PER PART,
APPROXIMATELY 28 PER CENT. IF BUDGET NOT APPROVED,
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MUST BE PREPARED RECOMMEND SPECIFIC
REDUCTIONS. DURING NOVEMBER 9 BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING,
DELEGATE FROM BELORUSSIA SUGGESTED REDUCING GENERAL
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ASSEMBLY SESSIONS FROM TWO TO ONE PER YEAR (THIS WOULD

RESULT IN MINIMAL SAVINGS). ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE
SUGGESTED WAS TO DELAY PUBLICATION OF BULLETIN AND
BROCHURE, SAVING 26,000 FRANCS.

3. COPY OF NOVEMBER 15 LETTER BEING SENT UNDER COVER OF
AIRGRAM. HIGHLIGHTS NOTED ABOVE SHOULD ENABLE DEPARTMENT
TO EVALUATE PROPOSED DUES INCREASE PRIOR TO GENERAL
ASSEMBLY MEETING.
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